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REMARKS

This is in response to Notice of Fee Deficiency sent February 2, 2004. Applicant has canceled all withdrawn claims and as a result, a sufficient payment has previously been made.

With regard to the previous Restriction Requirement, the Claims were grouped into Group I comprising Claims 43, 78, 79, 91, 92, 104, and 105 and Group II comprising Claims 1-42, 44-77, 80-90, 93-103 and 106-134. Applicant has elected Group II. The Examiner also divided Group II into several species. In conjunction with the Preliminary Amendment, Applicant has elected the subject matter of Species A.

Preliminary Amendment

Based on the restriction requirement, Applicant has canceled claims 11-18 and 21-134 which may be pursued at a later date. Applicant has also added new claims 135-141. Claims 1-10, 19, 20 and 135-141 are currently before the Examiner for examination. Applicant submits that Claims 1-10, 19, 20 and 135-141 are all directed to the subject matter of the elected group and elected species.

Change of Inventorship

Applicants request that the inventorship be amended to list only Thomas Scott Dreaper and that Robert Dunning be deleted as an inventor.

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SUMMARY

Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the signing attorney identified below if the election contained herein and the claim amendments are not responsive to the restriction requirement.

Applicant asserts that Claims 1-10, 19, 20, and 135-141 are in a condition for allowance and respectfully requests a notice as to the same. If any matters remain outstanding, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Respectfully submitted,

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